

REMARKS

Claims 22-42 are currently pending.

In the Office Action, the Examiner requires restriction of the claims to one of the following two groups under PCT Rule 13.1:

Group I, claims 22-35 and 41, drawn to an apparatus for measuring the weight of a perform for optical fibers.

Group II, claim(s) 36-40 and 42, drawn to a a method for measuring the weight of a perform for optical fibers during a chemical deposition process.

Office Action at 2.

Applicants elect Group II, including claims 36-40 and 42.

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Respectfully submitted,

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